

Walter, a friend who is fluent in French has written to Romero's French publisher. In response he got a reprint of the Aurore article to which had been added the fact that Romero had identified two of the Watergate characters as part of the plot. That this fiction was palmed off by Romero I knew. That the publisher was using it I did not. That he does use it once would have shocked me. If this in in the English translation, the U.S. edition should be sold for a three-dollar bill. A garbled version of the CBS investigation is in the hand and correspondence of some well-intention west-coastpeople all of whose feet are firmly planted in the heavens. The French-speaking friend, who is also a scholar, was stunned in reading the French article. His opinion is that even the bobtailed version can't support its own weight. This, of course, is for your information, no more. I may learn more of the CBS thing tomorrow, but I may not. My source is unhappy about my candor about him. HE was also consulted by CBS. If CBS decided this was a fake after dealing with those I consider immature, underinformed and often nuts, well.... This is getting to be a kind of fun. Grim and sickening, but also fun. Best, Hal 2/16/73